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MAIN FEATURES

- In August 1984, there were an estimated 2,467,500 persons (1,531,000 males and 936,500 females) in the civilian labour force in New South Wales, of whom 2,248,100 (1,386,600 males and 861,500 females) were employed and 219,400 (144,400 males and 74,900 females) were unemployed. (See Table 1)
- The labour force participation rate was 59.8 per cent (males 75.6, married females 43.2, and all females 44.6) and the unemployment rate 8.9 per cent (males 9.4, married females 5.7, and all females 8.0). (See Table 1) The unemployment rate for persons aged 15 to 19 was 21.2 per cent (males 22.3 and females 19.9). (See Table 13)
- Since August 1983, the number of persons unemployed has fallen by 37,800 (22,800 males and 15,000 females) reducing the unemployment rate from 10.7 to 8.9 per cent. In the same period the number of persons employed has risen by 107,300 (45,800 males and 61,500 females). (See Table 1)
- The unemployment rate for persons born in Australia has remained consistently below that for persons born outside Australia. In August 1984 the unemployment rate for persons born in Australia was 8.1 per cent and for persons born outside Australia 11.2 per cent (9.8 and 13.4 per cent respectively in August 1983). (See Table 4)

DIAGRAM 1: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, N.S.W.

(THE UNEMPLOYED IN EACH GROUP AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE IN THE SAME GROUP)

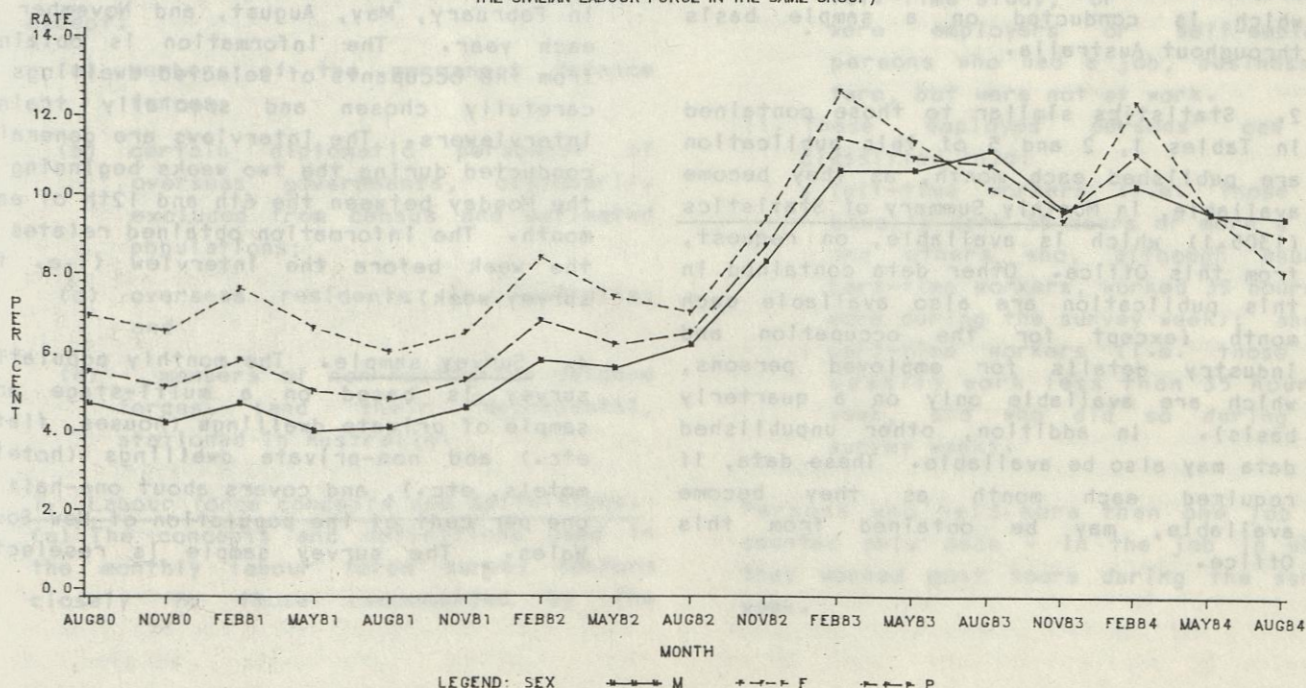


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EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. This publication contains estimates relating to persons in the civilian labour force and to those persons not in the labour force. The estimates have been derived from the labour force survey component of the monthly population survey, which is conducted on a sample basis throughout Australia.

2. Statistics similar to those contained in Tables 1, 2 and 5 of this publication are published each month, as they become available, in Monthly Summary of Statistics (1305.1) which is available, on request, from this Office. Other data contained in this publication are also available each month (except for the occupation and industry details for employed persons, which are available only on a quarterly basis). In addition, other unpublished data may also be available. These data, if required each month as they become available, may be obtained from this Office.

3. The monthly population survey. This survey consists of the monthly labour force survey and in most months one or more supplementary survey topics. From February 1978, the survey has been conducted each month. Previously the survey was conducted in February, May, August, and November of each year. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the survey week).

4. Survey sample. The monthly population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.), and covers about one-half of one per cent of the population of New South Wales. The survey sample is reselected

after each quinquennial Census of Population and Housing. The reselected sample of dwellings based on 1981 Census results was introduced in the October 1982 survey. Information on sample design and selection is given in the Technical Note in The Labour Force, Australia, 1978 (6204.0).

5. Revision of series. Labour force survey estimates back to February 1978 have been recalculated to conform to revised population estimates which take account of the 1981 Census. Revised estimates back to February 1978 were published in an Appendix to the February 1984 issue of this publication. In addition, following the change in official population estimates to a place of usual residence basis after the 1981 Census, the population benchmarks used in the derivation of labour force survey estimates are compiled according to place of usual residence. For an explanation of the new conceptual basis of population estimates see Information Paper - Population Estimates: An Outline of the New Conceptual Basis of ABS Population Estimates (3216.0). To coordinate with the new benchmarks, the labour force survey questionnaire was changed in October 1982 to enable identification of each respondent's place of usual residence. The revised estimates shown in this publication from October 1982 onwards are thus wholly according to place of usual residence. Prior to October 1982, the estimates are based on a combination of place of enumeration and place of usual residence.

6. Scope. The monthly labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 and over, except:

- (a) members of the permanent defence forces;
- (b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations;
- (c) overseas residents in Australia; and
- (d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants), stationed in Australia.

7. Labour force concepts and definitions.

(a) The concepts and definitions used in the monthly labour force survey conform closely to those recommended by the

International Labour Organisation. The labour force comprises all persons in scope who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed as defined in Explanatory Notes 7(b) and 7(c) below. The survey week comprises the seven days preceding the interview week (see Explanatory Note 3 above). The activities of persons in this period of reference are used in determining the classification of those who are employed. In addition to this week, the 3 weeks preceding it are also considered in identifying the unemployed. More detailed definitions of these two groups follow.

(b) Employed persons.

1. These comprise all civilians aged 15 and over who, during the survey week:
 - worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind (including employees, employers and self-employed persons) in a job or business, or on a farm; or
 - worked for 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or
 - were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
 - were employers or self-employed persons who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.
11. These employed persons can be classified into:
 - full-time workers (i.e. those who usually work 35 hours or more a week and others who, although usually part-time workers, worked 35 hours or more during the survey week); and
 - part-time workers (i.e. those who usually work less than 35 hours a week, and who did so during the survey week).

Persons who held more than one job are counted only once - in the job in which they worked most hours during the survey week.

(c) Unemployed persons comprise all civilians aged 15 and over who were not employed during the survey week, and:

1. had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the survey week, and:
 - were available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the survey week); or
 - were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week, and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then; or
11. were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole of the survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

(d) Actively looking for work includes writing, telephoning or applying in person to an employer for work; answering a newspaper advertisement for a job; checking factory or Commonwealth Employment Service notice boards; being registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service; checking or registering with any other employment agency; advertising or tendering for work; and contacting friends or relatives.

Note. The figures shown in this publication for the number of persons unemployed should not be confused with those issued by the Commonwealth Department of Employment and Industrial Relations. These latter figures represent the number of persons registered as unemployed awaiting placement with the Commonwealth Employment Service.

(e) Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the survey week, were not in the categories 'employed' or 'unemployed', as defined above. They include persons who were keeping house (unpaid), attending an educational institution (school, university, etc.), retired, voluntarily inactive, permanently unable to work, inmates of institutions (hospitals, gaols, sanatoria, etc.), trainee teachers, members of contemplative religious orders, and persons whose only activity during the survey week was jury service or unpaid voluntary work for a charitable organisation.

(f) Duration of unemployment is the period from the time the person began looking for work or was laid off to the end of the survey week. Thus the survey measures current (and continuing) periods of unemployment rather than completed spells. Periods of unemployment are recorded in complete weeks and this results in a slight understatement of duration. Average (mean) duration is the duration obtained by dividing the aggregate number of weeks a group has been unemployed by the number of persons in that group.

(g) Unemployed persons classified by industry and occupation. Unemployed persons who had worked full-time for two weeks or more in the last two years are classified according to the industry and occupation of their most recent full-time job.

(h) Marital status. In the labour force survey, persons are classified as married or not married. Marital status is determined from information supplied by the respondent about the individual concerned and, where the person was reported as being married, about the living arrangements of persons usually resident in the household. Marital status does not therefore necessarily reflect legal status. Persons are classified as married if they are reported as being married (including de facto) and their spouse was a usual resident of the household at the time of the survey. The not married category includes persons who have never married, or are separated, widowed or divorced, as well as those who, although reported as being married, did not have a spouse who usually lived in the household. Persons who live in a de facto relationship but do not volunteer this information when asked whether they are married are classified as not married. In conjunction with the revision of estimates back to February 1978 to conform to revised population estimates, the new definition of marital status outlined above was adopted. Consequently, estimates of marital status contained in this publication are not comparable with estimates published before the February 1984 issue of this publication. This revision to the marital status classification has been undertaken in two parts. Firstly, for all surveys from February 1978, persons who reported that they were separated, were reclassified as not married (previously included as married). Secondly, from June 1983

onwards, in addition to including persons reported as separated, the not married category includes persons, who although reported as married, did not, at the time of the survey, have a spouse who was a usual resident of the household.

8. Industry classification. The classification of industries is in accordance with the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC) described in Australian Standard Industrial Classification, Vol. 1 - The Classification (1978 Edition) (1201.0).

9. Occupation classification. The classification of occupations is in accordance with the Classification and Classified List of Occupations, Australia (Revised, June 1981) (1206.0).

10. The Sydney Statistical Division is predominantly urban in character - and its boundary was re-delineated in 1976 to embrace the area expected to contain the urban development of Sydney (and associated smaller urban centres) for a period of at least twenty years. This area covers the same area as the 'Sydney Region', as delineated by the State Planning Authority (now the Department of Environment and Planning) in its publication Sydney Region, 1970-2000 A.D., Outline Plan.

11. Reliability of the estimates. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they, and the movements derived from them, may differ from figures that would have been obtained if the information had been collected from occupants of all dwellings (using the same questionnaire and interviewing procedures). One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. A Technical Note, showing the likely standard errors relating to sample estimates, is shown at the end of this publication.

12. Related publications

(a) Users may also wish to refer to the

following related publications which are available on request:

Information Paper on the Sources of Labour Statistics (6101.1)

The Labour Force, Australia (Preliminary Estimates) (6202.0) Issued monthly

The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) Issued monthly

The Labour Force, Australia, 1981 (6204.0)

Information Paper: Questionnaires used in the Labour Force Survey (6232.0)

Employment, Underemployment and Unemployment, Australia, 1966-1983 (6246.0)

(b) In addition to the regular demographic and labour force characteristics which are contained in some of the above publications, supplementary and special surveys of particular aspects of the labour force and of other subjects are carried out from time to time. The results of these surveys are published separately. A complete list of these survey topics and their related publications is available on request to this Office. A list of the more recent releases on labour force and related topics is also contained in the The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) each month. Copies of publications containing supplementary and special survey information are available on request.

(c) Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications (1101.0) which is available from any ABS Office.

13. In some cases, the ABS can also make available information which is not published (see Explanatory Note 2).

Symbols and other usages.

* Subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

14. Figures have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and the totals shown.

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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, N.S.W.

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Civilian population aged 15 and over ('000)	Unemployment rate (a) (per cent)	Participation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full-time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full-time work ('000)						
			for full-time work ('000)	Total ('000)					
MALES									
1980: August	1,334.4	1,409.3	64.0	68.8	1,478.1	425.7	1,903.8	4.7	77.6
1981: August	1,351.7	1,432.4	56.9	61.2	1,493.6	443.3	1,936.9	4.1	77.1
1982: August	1,327.4	1,413.5	87.6	94.0	1,507.5	464.1	1,971.6	6.2	76.5
1983: June	1,269.3	1,361.0	158.5	162.0	1,523.0	472.7	1,995.7	10.6	76.3
July	1,268.3	1,354.3	154.7	161.5	1,515.8	482.3	1,998.1	10.7	75.9
August	1,253.7	1,340.8	161.7	167.3	1,508.1	492.5	2,000.5	11.1	75.4
September	1,282.6	1,363.9	159.2	166.7	1,530.6	472.4	2,003.0	10.9	76.4
October	1,267.3	1,355.7	154.3	159.6	1,515.3	490.3	2,005.6	10.5	75.6
November	1,270.3	1,360.2	138.0	144.8	1,505.0	502.4	2,007.4	9.6	75.0
December	1,295.6	1,380.3	145.3	151.8	1,532.0	477.3	2,009.3	9.9	76.3
1984: January	1,277.3	1,356.9	157.5	167.4	1,524.3	487.5	2,011.8	11.0	75.8
February	1,296.8	1,378.5	151.9	157.2	1,535.8	478.3	2,014.1	10.2	76.3
March	1,313.1	1,398.7	143.8	151.8	1,550.5	465.9	2,016.3	9.8	76.9
April	1,304.4	1,394.0	136.4	142.0	1,536.1	482.6	2,018.7	9.2	76.1
May	1,306.1	1,391.6	136.5	146.2	1,537.8	482.9	2,020.7	9.5	76.1
June	1,311.7	1,393.4	134.0	142.1	1,535.4	487.2	2,022.6	9.3	75.9
July	1,318.2	1,405.3	125.3	130.7	1,536.0	488.4	2,024.4	8.5	75.9
August	1,298.5	1,386.6	137.1	144.4	1,531.0	495.2	2,026.2	9.4	75.6
MARRIED FEMALES									
1980: August	263.9	462.4	10.7	18.9	481.3	691.8	1,173.1	3.9	41.0
1981: August	254.3	462.2	11.2	19.5	481.8	717.1	1,198.9	4.1	40.2
1982: August	272.0	476.0	13.3	22.9	499.0	715.9	1,214.9	4.6	41.1
1983: June	266.5	473.4	25.2	38.7	512.2	719.8	1,232.0	7.6	41.6
July	273.1	473.0	22.9	37.8	510.8	721.9	1,232.7	7.4	41.4
August	265.2	460.6	23.6	36.9	497.5	731.6	1,229.1	7.4	40.5
September	277.5	472.7	29.3	41.7	514.4	707.6	1,222.0	8.1	42.1
October	268.8	467.3	24.0	38.0	505.3	710.9	1,216.2	7.5	41.5
November	274.9	480.4	19.3	31.5	511.9	702.1	1,214.0	6.2	42.2
December	278.2	480.8	19.6	31.5	512.2	699.1	1,211.4	6.1	42.3
1984: January	272.3	450.7	19.6	30.5	481.2	725.3	1,206.5	6.3	39.9
February	271.8	465.6	24.2	40.1	505.7	707.3	1,213.0	7.9	41.7
March	277.3	488.2	26.3	41.8	530.0	670.8	1,200.7	7.9	44.1
April	271.6	487.3	25.8	41.0	528.3	679.5	1,207.8	7.8	43.7
May	276.5	498.3	18.9	33.0	531.3	692.7	1,224.0	6.2	43.4
June	282.4	501.1	22.4	36.3	537.4	693.8	1,231.2	6.8	43.7
July	283.8	497.0	20.4	30.8	527.8	698.7	1,226.5	5.8	43.0
August	284.0	500.7	18.8	30.5	531.1	697.0	1,228.2	5.7	43.2

For footnotes, see end of table.

TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, N.S.W. (continued)

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not In labour force ('000)	Civilian population aged 15 and over ('000)	Unemployment rate (a) (per cent)	Participation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full-time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full-time work ('000)	Total ('000)					
ALL FEMALES									
1980: August	535.6	797.0	44.5	59.4	856.3	1,121.5	1,977.9	6.9	43.3
1981: August	527.3	807.7	38.2	51.8	859.5	1,151.2	2,010.7	6.0	42.7
1982: August	533.7	813.5	44.4	61.1	874.6	1,170.4	2,045.0	7.0	42.8
1983: June	532.8	811.4	76.4	97.1	908.5	1,163.2	2,071.7	10.7	43.9
July	543.2	815.4	67.9	91.2	906.6	1,167.2	2,073.7	10.1	43.7
August	525.0	800.0	70.4	90.0	890.0	1,185.6	2,075.6	10.1	42.9
September	549.9	820.3	78.9	102.8	923.1	1,154.4	2,077.5	11.1	44.4
October	538.6	817.1	68.0	92.2	909.2	1,170.0	2,079.3	10.1	43.7
November	544.2	837.6	65.1	85.9	923.5	1,157.5	2,081.0	9.3	44.4
December	557.5	839.1	81.0	100.9	940.0	1,142.6	2,082.7	10.7	45.1
1984: January	548.6	801.0	80.9	99.8	900.8	1,184.2	2,085.0	11.1	43.2
February	549.6	812.3	87.8	114.2	926.5	1,160.8	2,087.3	12.3	44.4
March	563.8	851.5	80.1	108.1	959.5	1,130.0	2,089.5	11.3	45.9
April	553.1	846.6	79.0	107.7	954.3	1,137.2	2,091.5	11.3	45.6
May	555.3	856.6	68.5	89.6	946.2	1,147.3	2,093.5	9.5	45.2
June	553.7	856.3	70.6	93.7	949.9	1,145.5	2,095.5	9.9	45.3
July	569.1	859.4	60.2	77.4	936.8	1,160.5	2,097.3	8.3	44.7
August	561.9	861.5	54.7	74.9	936.5	1,162.6	2,099.1	8.0	44.6
PERSONS									
1980: August	1,870.0	2,206.3	108.5	128.1	2,334.4	1,547.2	3,881.7	5.5	60.1
1981: August	1,879.0	2,240.1	95.1	113.0	2,353.1	1,594.5	3,947.6	4.8	59.6
1982: August	1,861.1	2,227.0	132.0	155.1	2,382.0	1,634.5	4,016.5	6.5	59.3
1983: June	1,802.1	2,172.4	234.9	259.1	2,431.5	1,635.9	4,067.4	10.7	59.8
July	1,811.4	2,169.7	222.7	252.7	2,422.4	1,649.4	4,071.8	10.4	59.5
August	1,778.8	2,140.8	232.2	257.2	2,398.1	1,678.1	4,076.1	10.7	58.8
September	1,832.4	2,184.1	238.2	269.5	2,453.7	1,626.8	4,080.5	11.0	60.1
October	1,806.0	2,172.8	222.2	251.8	2,424.5	1,660.3	4,084.8	10.4	59.4
November	1,814.5	2,197.8	203.1	230.7	2,428.5	1,659.9	4,088.4	9.5	59.4
December	1,853.0	2,219.3	226.3	252.7	2,472.0	1,619.9	4,092.0	10.2	60.4
1984: January	1,825.9	2,157.8	238.4	267.3	2,425.1	1,671.7	4,096.8	11.0	59.2
February	1,846.4	2,190.8	239.7	271.4	2,462.2	1,639.1	4,101.3	11.0	60.0
March	1,876.9	2,250.2	223.8	259.8	2,510.0	1,595.9	4,105.8	10.4	61.1
April	1,857.6	2,240.6	215.4	249.8	2,490.4	1,619.8	4,110.1	10.0	60.6
May	1,861.4	2,248.2	205.0	235.8	2,484.0	1,630.1	4,114.1	9.5	60.4
June	1,865.4	2,249.7	204.6	235.7	2,485.4	1,632.7	4,118.1	9.5	60.4
July	1,887.3	2,264.8	185.5	208.1	2,472.8	1,648.9	4,121.7	8.4	60.0
August	1,860.4	2,248.1	191.8	219.4	2,467.5	1,657.8	4,125.3	8.9	59.8

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the total labour force in the same group. (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

TABLE 2. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER :
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force (^{'000})	Not in labour force (^{'000})	Civilian popu- lation aged 15 and over (^{'000})	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers (^{'000})	Total (^{'000})	Looking for full- time work (^{'000})	Total (^{'000})					
MALES									
1980: August†	842.5	894.8	39.8	42.8	937.5	268.1	1,205.7	4.6	77.8
1981: August†	854.5	909.3	29.4	32.0	941.3	275.3	1,216.5	3.4	77.4
1982: August†	842.1	894.7	54.3	58.8	953.4	283.3	1,236.8	6.2	77.1
1983: June	799.8	859.5	96.9	99.3	958.7	293.7	1,252.5	10.4	76.6
July	803.6	859.4	93.5	97.5	957.0	296.9	1,253.8	10.2	76.3
August†	797.4	851.0	97.2	101.1	952.1	303.3	1,255.3	10.6	75.8
1984: May	824.0	880.0	79.9	86.1	966.1	295.2	1,261.3	8.9	76.6
June	829.0	880.6	77.7	82.8	963.4	298.2	1,261.6	8.6	76.4
July	832.2	889.2	69.6	73.2	962.3	300.4	1,262.7	7.6	76.2
August†	821.1	878.2	73.8	78.4	956.6	307.4	1,263.9	8.2	75.7
MARRIED FEMALES									
1980: August	180.1	304.9	6.1	10.9	315.8	413.8	729.6	3.5	43.3
1981: August	176.1	304.7	5.7	11.8	316.5	418.3	734.8	3.7	43.1
1982: August	185.8	312.3	8.2	15.6	327.9	419.2	747.1	4.7	43.9
1983: June	177.5	304.7	17.8	26.9	331.6	420.1	751.6	8.1	44.1
July	181.2	313.2	14.6	24.4	337.6	419.1	756.7	7.2	44.6
August†	177.1	300.9	15.6	25.4	326.3	424.6	750.9	7.8	43.5
1984: May	192.9	326.8	11.4	19.5	346.3	410.3	756.6	5.6	45.8
June	194.5	329.5	14.0	23.9	353.4	410.7	764.1	6.8	46.3
July	195.5	326.1	13.2	20.8	346.9	412.9	759.8	6.0	45.7
August†	195.5	329.5	11.0	18.2	347.7	409.9	757.5	5.2	45.9
ALL FEMALES									
1980: August†	380.0	547.4	22.0	31.7	579.1	696.9	1,276.0	5.5	45.4
1981: August	382.4	559.9	19.5	29.5	589.4	696.8	1,286.2	5.0	45.8
1982: August	379.2	557.7	23.7	36.2	593.9	714.0	1,307.9	6.1	45.4
1983: June	384.8	556.1	50.3	64.1	620.3	704.6	1,324.9	10.3	46.8
July	387.6	564.4	43.2	58.8	623.2	702.9	1,326.1	9.4	47.0
August	375.7	549.6	44.9	60.0	609.6	717.7	1,327.3	9.8	45.9
1984: May	392.5	578.9	40.2	53.7	632.6	703.3	1,335.9	8.5	47.4
June	387.7	577.8	42.9	59.7	637.5	699.3	1,336.8	9.4	47.7
July	400.8	583.6	36.2	48.1	631.8	706.1	1,337.9	7.6	47.2
August	397.7	587.3	31.4	44.5	631.9	707.2	1,339.0	7.0	47.2
PERSONS									
1980: August	1,222.6	1,442.2	61.9	74.4	1,516.6	965.0	2,481.7	4.9	61.1
1981: August	1,236.9	1,469.2	48.9	61.5	1,530.6	972.1	2,502.8	4.0	61.2
1982: August	1,221.4	1,452.4	77.9	95.0	1,547.4	997.3	2,544.7	6.1	60.8
1983: June	1,184.5	1,415.6	147.2	163.4	1,579.0	998.3	2,577.4	10.3	61.3
July	1,191.1	1,423.9	136.7	156.3	1,580.2	999.8	2,579.9	9.9	61.2
August	1,173.1	1,400.7	142.0	161.0	1,561.7	1,021.0	2,582.7	10.3	60.5
1984: May	1,216.6	1,459.0	120.1	139.7	1,598.7	998.5	2,597.2	8.7	61.6
June	1,216.7	1,458.4	120.6	142.5	1,600.9	997.5	2,598.4	8.9	61.6
July	1,233.0	1,472.8	105.8	121.3	1,594.1	1,006.5	2,600.6	7.6	61.3
August	1,218.8	1,465.5	105.2	122.9	1,588.4	1,014.5	2,602.9	7.7	61.0

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TABLE 3. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, BALANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Civilian population aged 15 and over ('000)	Unemployment rate (a) (per cent)	Participation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full-time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full-time work ('000)	Total ('000)					
MALES									
1980: August	491.9	514.6	24.1	26.0	540.6	157.5	698.1	4.8	77.4
1981: August	497.2	523.2	27.5	29.2	552.3	168.0	720.3	5.3	76.7
1982: August	485.3	518.9	33.3	35.2	554.0	180.8	734.8	6.3	75.4
1983: June	469.5	501.5	61.5	62.7	564.2	179.0	743.2	11.1	75.9
July	464.7	494.9	61.2	63.9	558.8	185.5	744.3	11.4	75.1
August	456.3	489.8	64.6	66.2	556.0	189.2	745.2	11.9	74.6
1984: May	482.1	511.5	56.6	60.2	571.7	187.7	759.4	10.5	75.3
June	482.6	512.8	56.3	59.3	572.1	188.9	761.0	10.4	75.2
July	486.0	516.2	55.7	57.5	573.6	188.1	761.7	10.0	75.3
August	477.3	508.4	63.3	66.1	574.5	187.9	762.3	11.5	75.4
MARRIED FEMALES									
1980: August	83.8	157.5	4.7	7.9	165.5	278.0	443.5	4.8	37.3
1981: August	78.2	157.6	5.5	7.7	165.3	298.8	464.1	4.7	35.6
1982: August	86.3	163.7	5.1	7.4	171.1	296.7	467.8	4.3	36.6
1983: June	89.0	168.7	7.5	11.9	180.6	299.7	480.3	6.6	37.6
July	91.9	159.8	8.4	13.4	173.2	302.8	476.0	7.8	36.4
August	88.0	159.7	8.0	11.5	171.2	307.1	478.2	6.7	35.8
1984: May	83.7	171.5	7.5	13.6	185.0	282.4	467.4	7.3	39.6
June	87.9	171.7	8.4	12.4	184.0	283.1	467.1	6.7	39.4
July	88.3	170.9	7.2	10.0	180.9	285.8	466.7	5.5	38.8
August	88.5	171.2	7.8	12.3	183.5	287.2	470.7	6.7	39.0
ALL FEMALES									
1980: August	155.5	249.5	22.5	27.7	277.2	424.6	701.9	10.0	39.5
1981: August	144.9	247.8	18.7	22.3	270.1	454.4	724.5	8.3	37.3
1982: August	154.5	255.7	20.8	24.9	280.6	456.4	737.0	8.9	38.1
1983: June	148.0	255.2	26.1	33.0	288.2	458.6	746.8	11.4	38.6
July	155.6	251.0	24.8	32.4	283.4	464.2	747.6	11.4	37.9
August	149.4	250.4	25.5	30.0	280.4	467.9	748.3	10.7	37.5
1984: May	162.8	277.7	28.3	35.9	313.7	443.9	757.6	11.5	41.4
June	166.1	278.4	27.8	34.0	312.4	446.3	758.7	10.9	41.2
July	168.3	275.8	24.0	29.3	305.1	454.3	759.4	9.6	40.2
August	164.2	274.2	23.3	30.4	304.6	455.5	760.1	10.0	40.1
PERSONS									
1980: August	647.4	764.1	46.6	53.7	817.8	582.2	1,400.0	6.6	58.4
1981: August	642.1	771.0	46.2	51.5	822.5	622.4	1,444.8	6.3	56.9
1982: August	639.8	774.6	54.1	60.0	834.6	637.2	1,471.9	7.2	56.7
1983: June	617.5	756.8	87.7	95.7	852.5	637.6	1,490.0	11.2	57.2
July	620.3	745.9	86.0	96.4	842.2	649.6	1,491.8	11.4	56.5
August	605.6	740.2	90.1	96.2	836.4	657.1	1,493.5	11.5	56.0
1984: May	644.8	789.2	84.9	96.1	885.3	631.6	1,517.0	10.9	58.4
June	648.7	791.3	84.1	93.2	884.5	635.2	1,519.7	10.5	58.2
July	654.3	792.0	79.7	86.7	878.7	642.4	1,521.1	9.9	57.8
August	641.6	782.6	86.6	96.5	879.1	643.3	1,522.4	11.0	57.7

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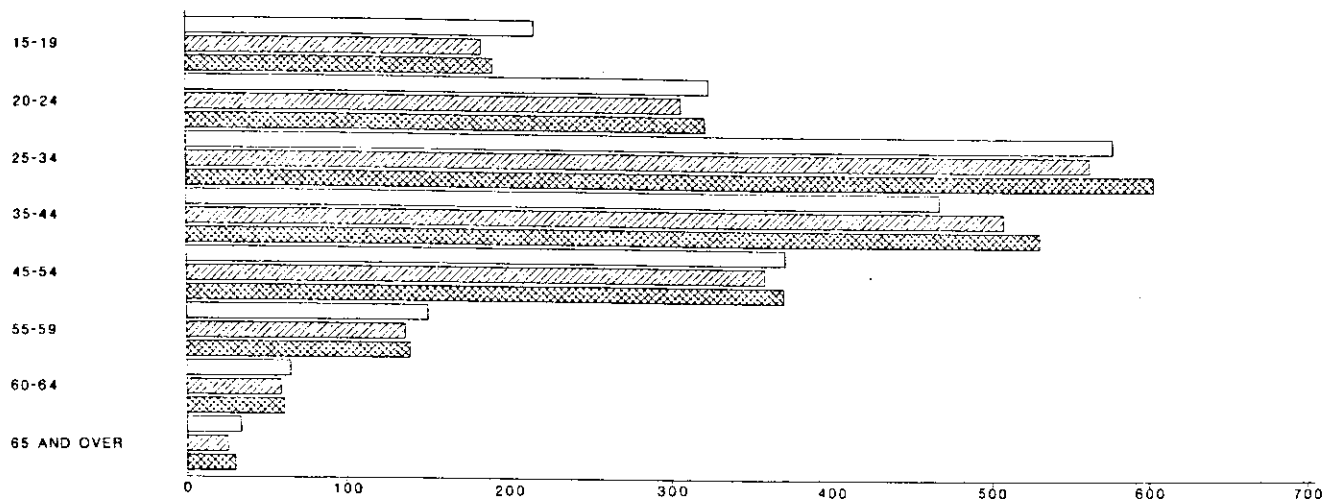
TABLE 4. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) : UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (b), PARTICIPATION RATE (c), AND BIRTHPLACE, N.S.W.
(per cent)

Birthplace	Unemployment rate				Participation rate			
	Aug. 1983	June 1984	July 1984	Aug. 1984	Aug. 1983	June 1984	July 1984	Aug. 1984
MALES								
Total	11.1	9.3	8.5	9.4	76.4	77.1	77.0	76.6
Born in Australia	10.1	8.0	7.6	8.7	76.1	76.8	76.7	76.2
Born outside Australia	13.7	12.8	11.0	11.5	77.0	77.8	77.9	77.9
Africa	*	*	*	*	81.3	79.2	78.9	77.7
America	25.7	*	*	*	85.2	83.9	81.8	86.3
Asia	24.6	22.0	17.8	18.3	74.6	78.8	78.4	78.4
Lebanon	35.0	39.8	28.3	27.0	68.4	74.7	75.6	77.8
Vietnam	*	*	*	*	87.6	85.7	82.3	83.2
Europe	9.8	10.4	9.2	9.5	76.3	76.5	76.7	76.2
Italy	*	*	*	*	78.5	79.2	81.1	80.9
UK and Ireland	9.1	9.4	8.3	9.6	73.3	76.5	75.0	75.5
Yugoslavia	*	*	*	*	80.3	73.4	73.9	72.3
Oceania	19.1	*	*	*	84.0	84.3	87.0	90.0
New Zealand	*	*	*	*	83.9	86.3	87.7	90.4
FEMALES								
Total	10.1	9.9	8.3	8.0	43.9	46.3	45.6	45.4
Born in Australia	9.3	9.0	7.5	7.2	44.0	46.2	45.3	45.3
Born outside Australia	12.6	12.4	10.7	10.6	43.9	46.4	46.6	45.9
Africa	*	*	*	*	44.0	48.7	52.7	55.6
America	*	*	*	*	48.3	54.8	53.3	48.3
Asia	16.5	18.6	18.5	18.8	41.4	50.4	49.3	47.6
Lebanon	*	*	*	*	25.2	25.7	28.5	27.5
Vietnam	*	*	*	*	*	57.0	57.5	55.2
Europe	11.6	10.7	8.5	8.2	42.6	42.8	43.5	43.5
Italy	*	*	*	*	36.3	36.0	34.2	37.8
UK and Ireland	11.9	8.5	*	*	44.0	44.7	43.9	45.1
Yugoslavia	*	*	*	*	50.8	46.3	47.1	49.1
Oceania	*	*	*	*	58.9	60.7	58.5	56.2
New Zealand	*	*	*	*	61.5	61.7	59.6	56.9
PERSONS								
Total	10.7	9.5	8.4	8.9	59.9	61.5	61.0	60.8
Born in Australia	9.8	8.4	7.6	8.1	59.6	61.1	60.5	60.3
Born outside Australia	13.4	12.6	10.9	11.2	60.9	62.5	62.6	62.3
Africa	*	*	*	*	65.6	64.5	65.7	66.1
America	23.1	*	*	16.0	66.8	67.4	66.5	65.6
Asia	21.8	20.7	18.1	18.5	58.1	64.8	64.0	63.2
Lebanon	31.4	41.4	31.4	33.1	47.7	52.7	54.3	54.9
Vietnam	54.2	32.4	33.7	33.5	74.8	72.3	70.6	69.4
Europe	10.4	10.5	8.9	9.0	60.0	60.5	61.0	60.7
Germany	*	*	*	*	63.9	62.0	66.5	66.4
Greece	*	*	*	*	65.8	59.7	62.5	60.2
Italy	*	*	*	*	58.7	58.9	59.3	61.6
Malta	*	*	*	*	57.3	63.8	66.9	64.0
Netherlands	*	*	*	*	66.3	60.6	65.9	60.4
Poland	*	*	*	*	51.9	45.7	52.6	56.1
UK and Ireland	10.2	9.1	7.8	8.5	58.6	61.5	60.1	60.9
Yugoslavia	*	19.3	19.2	15.5	65.8	60.5	61.7	61.6
Oceania	17.0	12.1	9.7	10.0	70.9	71.4	71.0	71.7
New Zealand	14.6	12.0	*	*	71.9	73.2	72.6	73.2

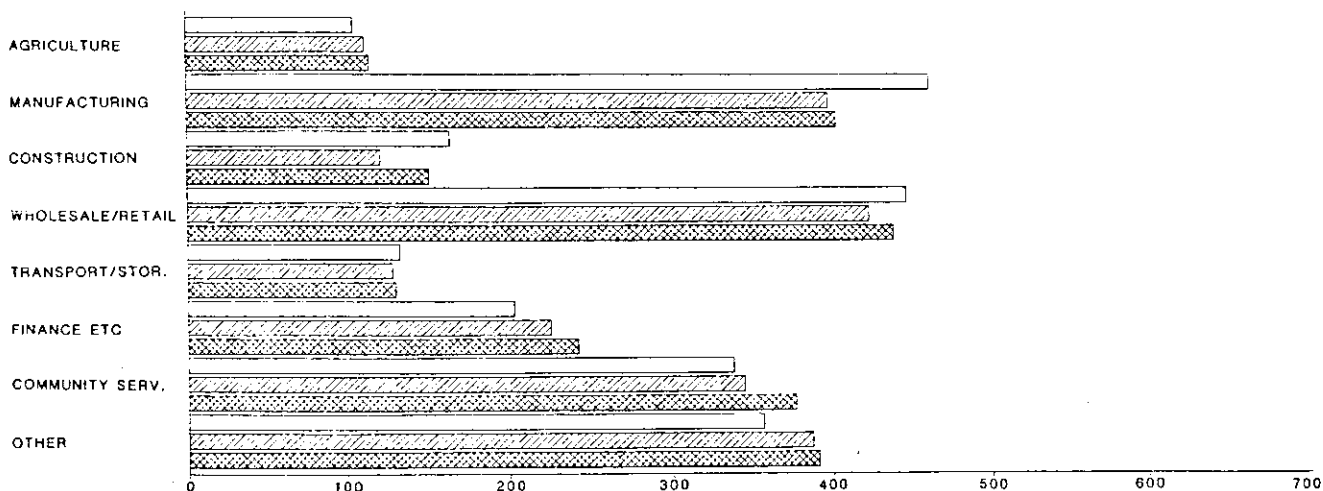
(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the total labour force in the same group. (c) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over (excluding institutionalised persons) in the same group.

DIAGRAM 2 EMPLOYED PERSONS. N S W . AUGUST ('000)

AGE (SEE TABLE 10)



INDUSTRY (SEE TABLE 5)



OCCUPATION (SEE TABLE 7)

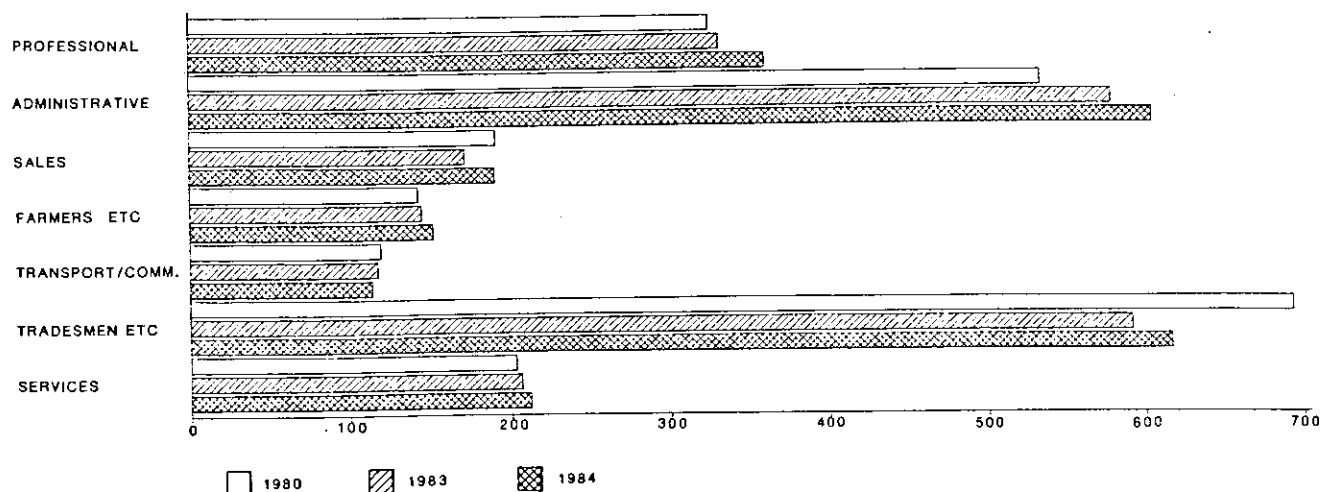


TABLE 5. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : INDUSTRY DIVISION, N.S.W.
('000)

Month	Agriculture and services to agriculture	Manufacturing	Construction	Wholesale and retail trade	Transport and storage	Finance, etc.	Community services (b)	Other Industries (c)	Total
MALES									
1980: August	82.4	352.8	147.8	254.4	113.0	105.1	119.1	234.8	1,409.3
1981: August	80.4	358.1	(d)147.6	264.8	(d)105.7	118.9	126.3	(d)230.7	1,432.4
1982: August	80.7	338.0	157.1	243.0	111.8	117.5	124.4	241.0	1,413.5
1983: May	90.4	303.8	120.9	254.5	105.9	117.6	122.7	251.2	1,367.0
August	90.1	299.4	109.1	237.5	108.1	111.7	127.9	256.8	1,340.8
November	87.0	301.0	116.6	245.4	102.0	117.6	127.3	263.4	1,360.2
1984: February	92.4	296.5	127.7	242.2	104.2	125.4	132.6	257.5	1,378.5
May	88.0	302.5	134.9	244.4	111.3	122.7	122.3	265.5	1,391.6
August	86.7	299.7	136.3	243.5	106.4	117.6	134.5	261.8	1,386.6
FEMALES									
1980: August	22.8	108.1	16.1	191.7	20.3	98.3	218.2	121.5	797.0
1981: August	29.0	113.1	(d)14.3	199.1	(d)21.8	97.3	205.7	(d)127.6	807.7
1982: August	27.9	113.1	13.9	192.7	22.5	110.5	204.5	128.4	813.5
1983: May	27.2	107.7	16.7	196.2	21.4	108.3	210.1	128.1	815.7
August	22.1	98.3	12.6	185.7	20.6	114.3	216.2	130.3	800.0
November	23.7	112.8	13.8	191.4	19.3	118.7	217.6	140.3	837.6
1984: February	28.6	107.9	14.2	174.9	22.0	121.6	213.7	129.3	812.3
May	27.9	104.0	19.2	193.9	25.7	121.3	227.7	137.1	856.6
August	28.5	102.9	14.6	194.7	24.5	125.1	242.0	129.3	861.5
PERSONS									
1980: August	105.2	460.9	163.9	446.1	133.3	203.4	337.3	356.2	2,206.3
1981: August	109.3	471.2	(d)161.9	463.9	(d)127.5	216.2	332.0	(d)358.2	2,240.1
1982: August	108.6	451.1	171.0	435.6	134.3	228.0	329.0	369.4	2,227.0
1983: May	117.6	411.5	137.6	450.8	127.2	225.9	332.8	379.3	2,182.7
August	112.2	397.7	121.7	423.2	128.8	226.0	344.1	387.1	2,140.8
November	110.7	413.8	130.4	436.8	121.2	236.3	344.8	403.6	2,197.8
1984: February	121.0	404.4	141.9	417.2	126.2	247.0	346.3	386.8	2,190.8
May	115.9	406.6	154.0	438.3	137.0	244.0	350.0	402.5	2,248.2
August	115.2	402.6	151.0	438.1	130.9	242.7	376.5	391.1	2,248.1

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and Religious and Social Welfare Services. (c) Comprises Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal, and Other Services. (d) Figures from February 1981 are not comparable with those shown for previous periods due to a review of public sector activities which resulted in changes to the ASIC classification of some employees from Construction to Transport and Storage, Electricity, Gas and Water, and Public Administration and Defence.

TABLE 6. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : INDUSTRY DIVISION AND SELECTED SUBDIVISIONS (b), N.S.W., AUGUST ('000)

Industry division and subdivision	1980	1983	1984		Persons
	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	115.1	120.2	93.6	29.3	122.9
Agriculture and services to agriculture	105.2	112.2	86.7	28.5	115.2
Forestry and logging	6.6	*	*	*	*
Mining	30.1	31.3	30.9	*	31.9
Coal	22.0	23.9	23.1	*	23.8
Manufacturing	460.9	397.7	299.7	102.9	402.6
Food, beverages and tobacco	55.3	54.8	41.3	16.3	57.6
Textiles	12.2	4.6	4.8	*	7.8
Knitting mills, clothing and footwear	28.4	29.3	7.1	18.5	25.6
Wood, wood products and furniture	30.3	22.7	23.2	*	26.7
Paper, paper products, printing and publishing	38.5	43.1	32.2	12.8	45.0
Chemical, petroleum and coal products	33.2	25.5	17.7	7.3	25.0
Non-metallic mineral products	20.1	18.4	16.2	*	18.3
Basic metal products	59.5	44.7	38.8	*	41.8
Fabricated metal products	40.6	40.4	29.9	8.8	38.7
Transport equipment	42.9	29.1	27.8	4.6	32.4
Other machinery and equipment	75.0	56.8	45.2	15.9	61.1
Miscellaneous manufacturing	24.9	28.4	15.6	7.1	22.7
Electricity, gas and water	49.5	51.7	48.3	6.6	55.0
Construction	163.9	121.7	136.3	14.6	151.0
General construction	79.6	52.7	59.3	7.1	66.5
Special trade construction	84.3	69.1	77.0	7.5	84.5
Wholesale and retail trade	446.1	423.2	243.5	194.7	438.1
Wholesale trade	128.9	128.1	98.0	42.5	140.5
Retail trade	317.2	295.0	145.5	152.1	297.7
Transport and storage	133.3	128.8	106.4	24.5	130.9
Road transport	62.9	61.5	48.6	7.9	56.4
Railway transport	33.7	30.7	26.6	*	29.8
Water transport	13.3	7.4	10.4	*	11.5
Air transport	11.2	14.4	14.4	5.2	19.6
Other transport and storage	12.3	14.7	6.4	7.3	13.7
Communication	43.8	50.3	35.8	12.2	48.0
Finance, property and business services	203.4	226.0	117.6	125.1	242.7
Finance and investment	62.4	73.6	35.2	43.6	78.8
Insurance and services to insurance	29.9	30.4	12.1	11.5	23.6
Property and business services	111.2	122.0	70.3	69.9	140.3
Public administration and defence	82.3	101.4	64.3	30.1	94.4
Community services	337.3	344.1	134.5	242.0	376.5
Health	149.7	143.6	38.1	115.2	153.3
Education, museum and library services	132.6	131.3	53.4	94.4	147.7
Welfare and religious institutions	18.5	30.6	14.1	19.3	33.4
Other community services	36.6	38.5	29.0	13.2	42.2
Recreation, personal and other services	140.7	144.6	75.6	78.4	154.0
Entertainment and recreational services	30.4	33.3	27.7	13.6	41.3
Restaurants, hotels and clubs	76.0	82.2	36.3	40.7	77.1
Personal services	28.8	26.9	11.1	20.4	31.5
Private households employing staff	5.5	*	*	*	*
Total	2,206.3	2,140.8	1,386.6	861.5	2,248.1

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) See footnote (d), Table 5.

TABLE 7. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : MAJOR OCCUPATION GROUP, N.S.W.
('000)

Month	Profess- ional, technical, etc.	Adminis- trative, executive, manager- ial, and clerical	Sales	Farmers, fishermen, timber- getters, miners, etc.	Transport and commu- nication	Tradesmen, product- ion - process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	Service, sport, and recrea- tion	Total
MALES								
1980: August	170.9	237.2	90.5	121.0	104.0	612.9	72.9	1,409.3
1981: August	191.1	236.5	90.7	114.2	101.8	620.5	77.6	1,432.4
1982: August	192.1	243.1	83.8	113.4	100.4	602.9	77.7	1,413.5
1983: May	179.0	242.1	89.7	123.8	97.6	553.0	81.8	1,367.0
August	184.8	246.0	74.2	123.2	101.9	528.9	81.8	1,340.8
November	186.6	245.6	81.2	123.6	103.5	535.7	84.1	1,360.2
1984: February	193.3	246.7	86.6	126.0	98.2	544.2	83.6	1,378.5
May	192.2	252.5	84.1	125.0	102.8	556.9	78.0	1,391.6
August	191.9	253.1	83.8	122.7	100.9	553.0	81.3	1,386.6
FEMALES								
1980: August	152.4	295.0	101.2	22.4	15.9	79.9	130.2	797.0
1981: August	140.0	316.5	104.1	27.8	18.6	84.0	116.8	807.7
1982: August	143.8	316.1	106.6	26.7	20.1	78.7	121.6	813.5
1983: May	138.8	332.1	108.2	26.9	15.2	72.9	121.6	815.7
August	144.7	332.1	97.8	22.0	16.1	62.7	124.6	800.0
November	149.7	333.9	110.2	23.4	18.2	70.0	132.1	837.6
1984: February	150.1	328.9	102.1	28.7	16.2	63.8	122.6	812.3
May	161.0	342.9	110.0	27.0	16.7	63.3	135.8	856.6
August	166.7	350.7	106.9	29.3	13.7	63.5	130.8	861.5
PERSONS								
1980: August	323.4	532.3	191.7	143.3	119.9	692.7	203.1	2,206.3
1981: August	331.0	553.0	194.8	142.0	120.5	704.5	194.3	2,240.1
1982: August	335.8	559.2	190.4	140.1	120.5	681.6	199.3	2,227.0
1983: May	317.8	574.3	198.0	150.6	112.8	625.8	203.5	2,182.7
August	329.5	578.0	172.1	145.2	118.0	591.6	206.4	2,140.8
November	336.3	579.5	191.4	146.9	121.7	605.7	216.2	2,197.8
1984: February	343.3	575.6	188.7	154.8	114.3	608.0	206.2	2,190.8
May	353.2	595.4	194.1	152.0	119.5	620.2	213.8	2,248.2
August	358.6	603.7	190.7	152.0	114.6	616.5	212.0	2,248.1

(a) Aged 15 and over.

TABLE 8. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : MAJOR AND SELECTED MINOR OCCUPATION GROUPS, N.S.W., AUGUST ('000)

Major and minor occupation groups	1980	1983	1984		
	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Professional, technical, and related workers	323.4	329.5	191.9	166.7	358.6
Architects, engineers and surveyors, professional	22.0	26.3	24.2	*	24.2
Chemists, physicists, geologists, and other physical scientists	4.9	4.7	*	*	*
Biologists, veterinarians, agronomists, and related scientists	4.6	*	*	*	*
Medical practitioners and dentists	13.1	12.7	12.2	*	15.0
Nurses, including probationers or trainees	56.3	47.3	*	49.0	53.2
Professional medical workers, n.e.c.	7.9	9.8	*	7.8	10.9
Teachers	93.4	91.4	42.4	59.8	102.2
Clergy and related members of religious orders	*	*	*	*	4.5
Law professionals	4.7	8.6	6.9	*	8.7
Artists, entertainers, writers, and related workers	16.4	22.1	16.6	11.7	28.3
Draftsmen and technicians, n.e.c.	48.1	38.9	30.8	10.9	41.7
Other professional, technical, and related workers	49.7	62.2	43.0	20.3	63.4
Administrative, executive, and managerial workers	143.4	157.3	137.7	21.7	159.4
Employers, workers on own account, directors, managers, n.e.c.	139.3	154.4	134.9	21.7	156.6
Clerical workers	388.9	420.8	115.3	328.9	444.3
Book-keepers and cashiers	62.2	56.6	10.7	52.2	62.9
Stenographers and typists	78.6	88.3	*	81.2	82.2
Other clerical workers	248.1	275.8	103.7	195.5	299.2
Sales workers	191.7	172.1	83.8	106.9	190.7
Insurance, real estate salesmen, auctioneers, and valuers	18.2	12.2	11.4	*	12.5
Commercial travellers and manufacturers agents	22.2	22.6	22.7	5.3	28.0
Proprietors and shopkeepers, workers on own account, n.e.c., retail and wholesale trade; salesmen, shop assistants, and related workers	151.2	137.3	49.7	100.5	150.2
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, etc.	128.1	131.1	106.7	29.3	136.1
Farmers and farm managers	73.0	75.2	62.0	20.6	82.6
Farm workers including farm foremen	46.6	49.0	38.7	8.5	47.2
Miners, quarrymen, and related workers	15.2	14.1	16.0	*	16.0
Miners, mineral prospectors, and quarrymen	14.1	13.3	15.1	*	15.1
Transport and communication	119.9	118.0	100.9	13.7	114.6
Drivers and firemen, rail transport	4.6	5.2	4.8	*	4.8
Drivers, road transport	78.8	76.8	72.9	*	76.9
Inspectors, supervisors, traffic controllers, and despatchers, transport	9.1	7.6	5.6	*	6.0
Telephone, telegraph, and related telecommunication operators	9.9	10.0	*	6.4	7.5
Postmasters, postmen, and messengers	10.8	12.9	8.4	*	11.3
Tradesmen, production-process workers, and labourers, n.e.c.	692.7	591.6	553.0	63.5	616.5
Tailors, cutters, furriers, and related workers	27.7	26.7	9.5	16.2	25.8
Furnacemen, rollers, drawers, moulders and related metal making and treating workers	11.8	7.8	6.1	*	6.5
Precision instrument makers, watchmakers, jewellers, and related workers	10.7	7.0	11.2	*	12.3
Machine toolmakers, metal machinists, mechanics, plumbers, and related metal workers	162.4	154.5	145.9	*	148.3
Electricians and related electrical and electronic workers	64.6	63.7	62.3	*	62.8

(a) Aged 15 and over.

TABLE 8. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : MAJOR AND SELECTED MINOR OCCUPATION GROUPS, N.S.W., AUGUST (continued)
('000)

Major and minor occupation groups	1980	1983	1984		
	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Tradesmen, production - process workers, and labourers, n.e.c. (continued) -					
Metal workers, metal and electrical production-process workers, n.e.c.	37.8	24.1	16.2	7.4	23.7
Carpenters, woodworking machinists, cabinetmakers, and related workers	45.9	28.1	38.9	*	39.8
Painters and decorators	23.4	15.1	17.8	*	18.0
Bricklayers, plasterers, and construction workers, n.e.c.	54.2	44.0	53.5	*	54.0
Compositors, printing machinists, engravers, bookbinders, and related workers	17.7	15.4	14.1	*	15.7
Potters, kilnmen, glass and clay formers, and related workers	*	*	*	*	4.6
Millers, bakers, butchers, brewers and related food and drink workers	37.7	29.6	24.8	6.6	31.3
Chemical, sugar, and paper production-process workers	9.7	5.8	4.7	*	5.8
Paper products, rubber, plastic, and production-process workers, n.e.c.	20.9	20.7	12.4	5.3	17.7
Packers, wrappers, labellers	16.1	12.5	*	7.9	12.1
Stationary engine, excavating, and lifting equipment operators	34.8	29.4	29.8	*	30.0
Storeman and freight handlers	41.3	40.7	37.7	4.5	42.2
Labourers, n.e.c.	62.0	55.8	55.3	*	57.9
Service, sport, and recreation workers	203.1	206.4	81.3	130.8	212.0
Fire brigade, police, and other protective service workers	18.8	24.2	22.1	*	23.9
Housekeepers, cooks, maids, and related workers	69.3	71.4	19.1	58.5	77.7
Walters, bartenders	25.5	29.5	8.1	17.7	25.8
Caretakers, cleaners, buildings	40.4	38.4	11.0	21.5	32.5
Barbers, hairdressers, and beauticians	13.3	10.8	*	11.3	15.2
Launderers, dry cleaners, and pressers	6.6	4.5	*	*	5.7
Athletes, sportsmen, and related workers	*	*	*	*	5.0
Service, sport, recreation workers, n.e.c.	23.8	20.4	8.1	13.0	21.1
Total	2,206.3	2,140.8	1,386.6	861.5	2,248.1

(a) Aged 15 and over.

TABLE 9. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME STATUS, N.S.W.
('000)

Month	Full-time			Part-time			Total employed		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1980: August	1,334.4	535.6	1,870.0	74.9	261.4	336.3	1,409.3	797.0	2,206.3
1981: August	1,351.7	527.3	1,879.0	80.7	280.4	361.2	1,432.4	807.7	2,240.1
1982: August	1,327.4	533.7	1,861.1	86.1	279.8	365.9	1,413.5	813.5	2,227.0
1983: June	1,269.3	532.8	1,802.1	91.7	278.6	370.3	1,361.0	811.4	2,172.4
July	1,268.3	543.2	1,811.4	86.0	272.3	358.3	1,354.3	815.4	2,169.7
August	1,253.7	525.0	1,778.8	87.1	275.0	362.1	1,340.8	800.0	2,140.8
1984: May	1,306.1	555.3	1,861.4	85.5	301.3	386.8	1,391.6	856.6	2,248.2
June	1,311.7	553.7	1,865.4	81.7	302.6	384.3	1,393.4	856.3	2,249.7
July	1,318.2	569.1	1,887.3	87.1	290.3	377.4	1,405.3	859.4	2,264.8
August	1,298.5	561.9	1,860.4	88.1	299.6	387.7	1,386.6	861.5	2,248.1

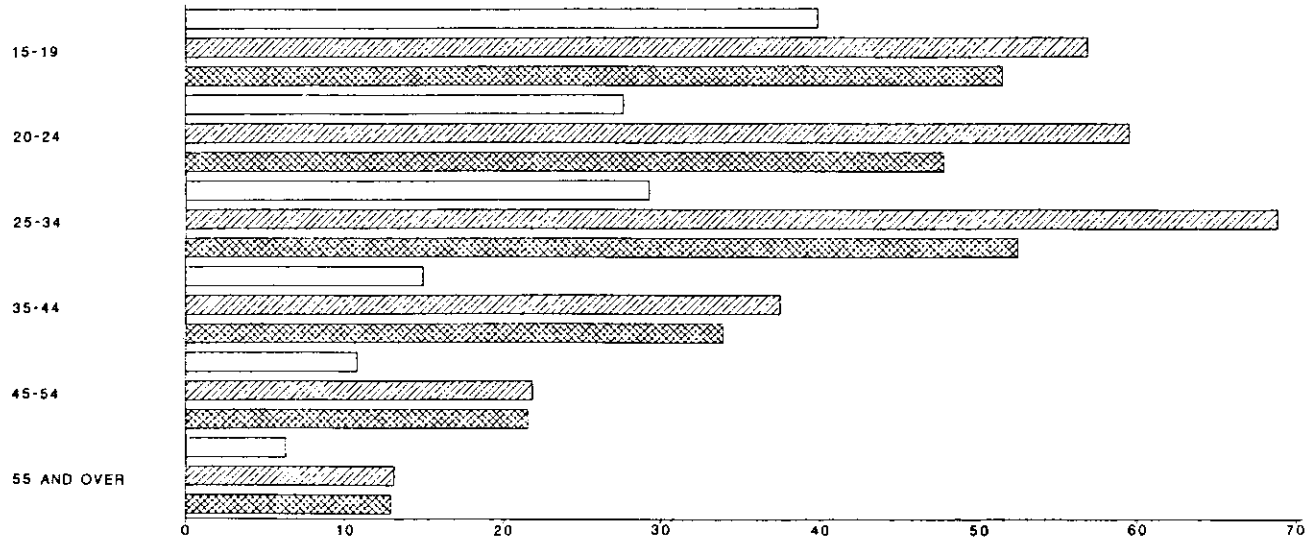
(a) Aged 15 and over.

TABLE 10. EMPLOYED PERSONS : AGE GROUP, N.S.W.
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Month	Age group (years)								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65 and over	
MALES									
1980: August†	117.4	181.8	377.5	298.4	248.6	110.6	50.5	24.6	1,409.3
1981: August†	121.0	186.0	386.0	308.4	243.4	108.4	53.8	25.5	1,432.4
1982: August†	115.2	178.9	377.6	320.4	241.0	106.5	51.2	22.6	1,413.5
1983: June	97.2	165.9	374.6	321.7	233.7	99.5	45.2	23.2	1,361.0
July	92.3	167.3	372.1	323.8	233.4	100.0	44.9	20.6	1,354.3
August	93.8	164.1	365.1	320.8	235.4	98.5	44.7	18.5	1,340.8
1984: May	101.5	171.9	376.6	333.8	238.8	102.1	46.0	20.9	1,391.6
June	102.4	169.8	379.2	331.7	239.1	105.5	46.1	19.5	1,393.4
July	101.1	180.4	380.2	334.0	239.8	103.9	45.9	20.0	1,405.3
August†	98.6	173.6	376.9	333.9	235.0	100.8	46.8	20.9	1,386.6
MARRIED FEMALES									
1980: August	*	49.3	141.9	136.5	92.9	26.4	9.0	*	462.4
1981: August†	*	44.5	141.3	136.9	97.8	26.6	9.4	*	462.2
1982: August	*	47.4	145.8	148.0	94.6	25.3	7.6	*	476.0
1983: June	*	43.7	146.4	147.2	97.4	23.7	9.6	*	473.4
July	*	42.2	143.5	147.1	98.7	25.2	9.9	*	473.0
August	*	40.7	134.3	149.2	96.8	23.5	9.6	*	460.6
1984: May	*	47.5	143.7	157.7	106.5	30.0	7.9	*	498.3
June	*	49.3	142.4	160.9	107.2	27.0	9.2	*	501.1
July	*	49.9	142.5	158.5	106.6	27.2	8.6	*	497.0
August†	*	49.6	147.2	157.1	105.5	26.9	8.6	*	500.7
ALL FEMALES									
1980: August	98.8	141.2	200.7	169.2	121.9	39.6	15.5	10.0	797.0
1981: August†	100.7	143.2	206.1	171.5	123.6	40.2	14.8	7.5	807.7
1982: August	90.0	144.9	213.2	180.0	127.8	36.3	13.0	8.2	813.5
1983: June	90.0	144.4	210.6	183.8	123.2	36.2	15.5	7.7	811.4
July	87.9	144.1	210.3	187.1	124.7	37.2	15.7	8.5	815.4
August	89.8	142.3	198.3	187.0	122.3	37.7	15.1	7.5	800.0
1984: May	95.8	146.8	215.5	200.1	136.0	41.0	13.1	8.4	856.6
June	93.3	144.4	217.2	201.8	137.7	38.5	14.6	8.9	856.3
July	93.9	145.7	218.6	201.3	135.7	39.4	16.4	8.3	859.4
August†	92.1	147.4	226.8	197.1	134.4	38.5	15.4	9.9	861.5
PERSONS									
1980: August†	216.1	323.0	578.2	467.6	370.5	150.2	66.1	34.5	2,206.3
1981: August†	221.8	329.1	592.1	479.9	366.9	148.6	68.7	33.0	2,240.1
1982: August	205.2	323.8	590.8	500.5	368.9	142.8	64.2	30.7	2,227.0
1983: June	187.1	310.3	585.2	505.5	356.9	135.6	60.7	30.9	2,172.4
July	180.2	311.4	582.3	511.0	358.1	137.1	60.6	29.1	2,169.7
August	183.6	306.4	563.3	507.8	357.7	136.1	59.8	26.0	2,140.8
1984: May	197.3	318.7	592.1	533.9	374.8	143.1	59.1	29.3	2,248.2
June	195.7	314.2	596.5	533.5	376.7	144.0	60.7	28.4	2,249.7
July	195.1	326.1	598.8	535.3	375.6	143.3	62.3	28.2	2,264.8
August†	190.7	320.9	603.7	531.0	369.4	139.4	62.2	30.8	2,248.1

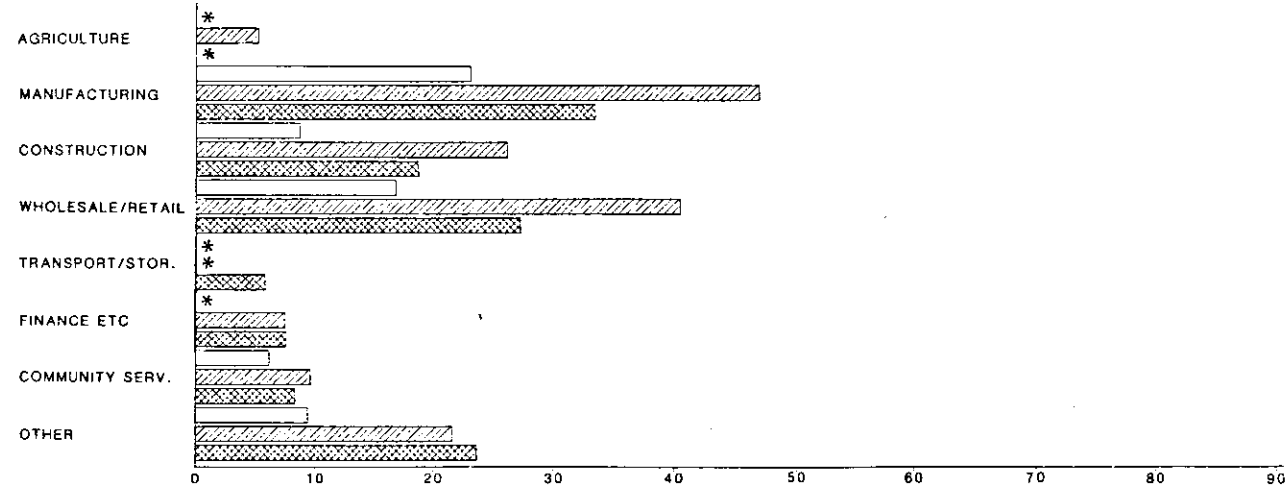
DIAGRAM 3 UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, N S W. AUGUST ('000)

AGE (SEE TABLE 12)

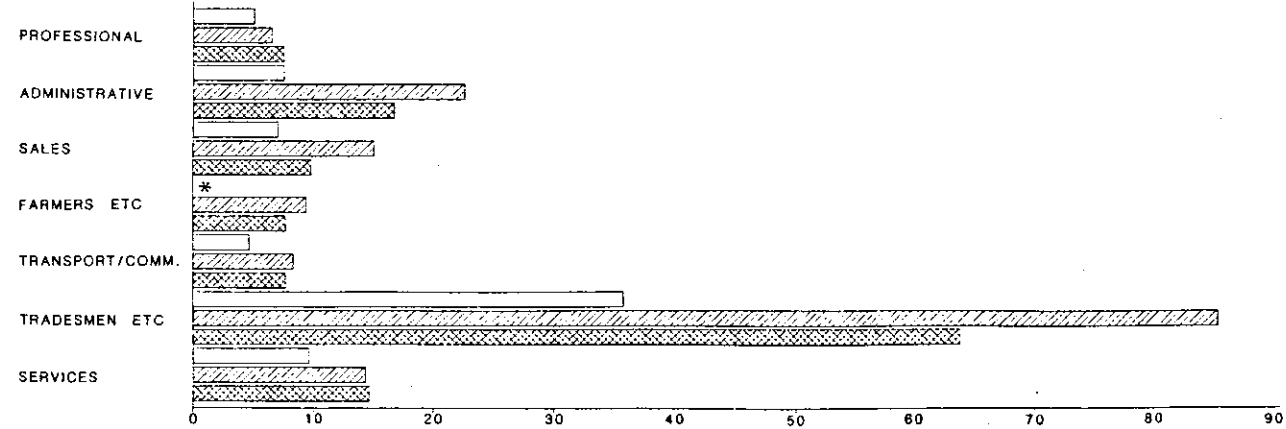


UNEMPLOYED PERSONS WHO HAD WORKED FOR TWO WEEKS OR MORE IN A FULL-TIME JOB IN THE LAST TWO YEARS N S W AUGUST ('000)

INDUSTRY (SEE TABLE 11)



OCCUPATION (SEE TABLE 11)



* Subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

1980 1983 1984

TABLE 11. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : INDUSTRY DIVISION (b) AND MAJOR OCCUPATION GROUP OF LAST FULL-TIME JOB, N.S.W.
('000)

Category	August 1980	May 1983	August 1983	November 1983	February 1984	May 1984	August 1984
Had worked for two weeks or more in a full-time job in the last two years	73.8	171.9	161.6	133.3	146.9	134.7	128.1
Industry division -							
Agriculture and services to agriculture	*	6.8	5.1	4.8	6.9	*	*
Manufacturing	23.0	53.4	46.9	41.2	42.3	35.5	33.5
Construction	8.6	23.7	26.1	18.0	17.2	20.1	18.7
Wholesale and retail trade	16.8	37.8	40.5	32.6	34.5	30.3	27.2
Transport and storage	*	8.7	*	6.2	*	5.7	5.7
Finance, property, and business services	*	10.2	7.4	6.5	8.5	6.5	7.5
Community services (c)	6.1	8.6	9.6	6.4	10.7	10.8	8.3
Other industries (d)	9.4	22.6	21.6	17.7	22.6	22.5	23.6
Major occupation group -							
Professional, technical, etc.	5.0	8.8	6.5	5.8	9.3	9.3	7.5
Administrative, executive, managerial, and clerical	7.5	22.9	22.6	17.5	22.8	20.1	16.8
Sales	7.0	14.6	15.1	12.4	15.0	14.8	9.8
Farmers, fishermen, timber getters, miners, etc.	*	8.7	9.4	9.3	10.0	6.0	7.7
Transport and communication	4.6	9.2	8.3	8.7	6.8	7.0	7.7
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	35.8	89.0	85.4	68.4	68.9	64.0	63.8
Service, sport, and recreation	9.6	18.7	14.4	11.2	14.1	13.5	14.7
Other -							
Looking for first job (e)	20.9	37.5	31.7	40.0	50.6	34.9	28.9
Other (f)	29.7	53.9	59.3	54.2	70.7	63.6	60.3
Stood down (g)	*	*	4.6	*	*	*	*
Total	128.1	266.6	257.2	230.7	271.4	235.8	219.4

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) See footnote (d), Table 5. (c) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and Religious and Social Welfare Services. (d) Comprises Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal, and Other Services. (e) Persons who had never worked for two weeks or more in a full-time job. (f) Persons who had not worked full-time for two weeks or more during the last two years but who had at some time in the past. (g) See Explanatory Note 7 (c) ii.

TABLE 12. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : AGE GROUP, N.S.W.
('000)

Month	Age group (years)						Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over	
MALES							
1980: August	16.8	15.6	16.9	7.7	7.3	*	68.8
1981: August	11.5	16.0	15.7	6.9	6.6	*	61.2
1982: August	20.2	23.4	24.0	12.4	8.5	5.4	94.0
1983: June	29.4	41.3	37.5	22.4	17.4	13.9	162.0
July	33.2	39.4	39.7	21.8	15.9	11.5	161.5
August	30.2	41.3	46.2	23.3	14.6	11.7	167.3
1984: May	32.2	32.6	37.6	20.3	13.0	10.6	146.2
June	29.6	32.1	34.5	23.2	12.0	10.7	142.1
July	25.3	29.9	32.6	21.4	12.3	9.2	130.7
August	28.3	31.6	36.1	22.3	15.4	10.7	144.4
FEMALES							
1980: August	22.8	11.9	12.2	7.3	*	*	59.4
1981: August	16.5	11.5	12.3	8.4	*	*	51.8
1982: August	18.4	13.8	13.7	10.0	*	*	61.1
1983: June	26.5	20.0	23.6	18.6	6.6	*	97.1
July	25.5	19.1	23.4	14.1	6.6	*	91.2
August	26.4	18.1	22.7	14.2	7.2	*	90.0
1984: May	26.4	19.2	22.2	12.9	6.9	*	89.6
June	25.2	19.8	28.5	11.5	6.5	*	93.7
July	21.2	16.6	21.6	10.3	6.0	*	77.4
August	22.9	16.1	16.2	11.5	6.1	*	74.9
PERSONS							
1980: August	39.6	27.5	29.1	14.9	10.8	6.2	128.1
1981: August	27.9	27.5	28.0	15.3	8.8	5.5	113.0
1982: August	38.6	37.1	37.7	22.4	12.7	6.5	155.1
1983: June	55.9	61.3	61.0	41.0	24.0	15.9	259.1
July	58.7	58.5	63.2	35.8	22.6	13.9	252.7
August	56.7	59.4	68.8	37.4	21.8	13.1	257.2
1984: May	58.6	51.8	59.8	33.1	19.8	12.7	235.8
June	54.8	51.9	62.9	34.7	18.5	12.9	235.7
July	46.4	46.5	54.1	31.7	18.3	11.0	208.1
August	51.3	47.7	52.3	33.8	21.5	12.9	219.4

TABLE 13. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (a) AND AGE GROUP, N.S.W.
(per cent)

Month	Age group (years)						Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over	
MALES							
1980: August	12.5	7.9	4.3	2.5	2.9	*	4.7
1981: August	8.6	7.9	3.9	2.2	2.7	*	4.1
1982: August	14.9	11.5	6.0	3.7	3.4	2.9	6.2
1983: June	23.2	19.9	9.1	6.5	6.9	7.7	10.6
July	26.4	19.1	9.7	6.3	6.4	6.5	10.7
August	24.4	20.1	11.2	6.8	5.9	6.7	11.1
1984: May	24.1	15.9	9.1	5.7	5.1	5.9	9.5
June	22.4	15.9	8.3	6.5	4.8	5.9	9.3
July	20.0	14.2	7.9	6.0	4.9	5.2	8.5
August	22.3	15.4	8.7	6.3	6.2	6.0	9.4
FEMALES							
1980: August	18.7	7.8	5.7	4.1	*	*	6.9
1981: August	14.0	7.4	5.6	4.7	*	*	6.0
1982: August	17.0	8.7	6.0	5.3	*	*	7.0
1983: June	22.7	12.2	10.1	9.2	5.1	*	10.7
July	22.5	11.7	10.0	7.0	5.1	*	10.1
August	22.7	11.3	10.3	7.0	5.5	*	10.1
1984: May	21.6	11.5	9.3	6.0	4.8	*	9.5
June	21.2	12.0	11.6	5.4	4.5	*	9.9
July	18.4	10.3	9.0	4.9	4.2	*	8.3
August	19.9	9.8	6.7	5.5	4.3	*	8.0
PERSONS							
1980: August	15.5	7.8	4.8	3.1	2.8	2.4	5.5
1981: August	11.2	7.7	4.5	3.1	2.3	2.1	4.8
1982: August	15.8	10.3	6.0	4.3	3.3	2.7	6.5
1983: June	23.0	16.5	9.4	7.5	6.3	6.5	10.7
July	24.6	15.8	9.8	6.6	5.9	5.8	10.4
August	23.6	16.2	10.9	6.9	5.7	5.6	10.7
1984: May	22.9	14.0	9.2	5.8	5.0	5.2	9.5
June	21.9	14.2	9.5	6.1	4.7	5.3	9.5
July	19.2	12.5	8.3	5.6	4.7	4.5	8.4
August	21.2	12.9	8.0	6.0	5.5	5.3	8.9

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the total labour force in the same group.

DIAGRAM 4: AVERAGE DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, N.S.W.

(THE DURATION OBTAINED BY DIVIDING THE AGGREGATE
NUMBER OF WEEKS A GROUP HAS BEEN UNEMPLOYED
BY THE NUMBER OF PERSONS IN THAT GROUP)

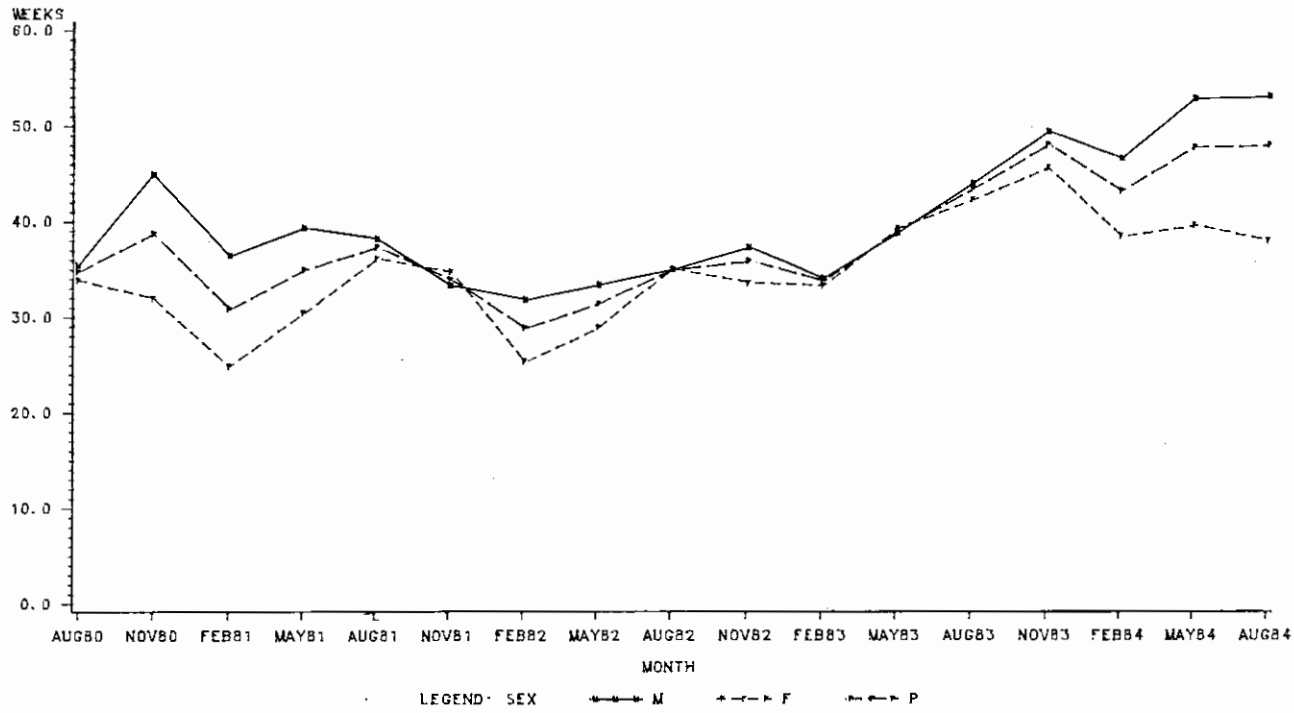


TABLE 14. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT (b), N.S.W.

Duration of unemployment (weeks)	August 1980	August 1983	June 1984	July 1984	August 1984		
	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
('000)							
Under 2	11.6	10.4	11.5	9.1	5.6	6.7	12.3
2 and under 4	13.5	16.6	21.4	15.3	9.5	8.5	18.1
4 " " 8	17.8	25.6	21.0	15.9	13.1	6.3	19.4
8 " " 13	13.2	22.7	19.8	18.1	12.7	7.7	20.4
13 " " 26	18.9	34.1	38.3	29.0	18.4	9.1	27.6
26 " " 39	21.0	48.9	34.4	34.8	22.1	14.6	36.7
39 " " 52	*	21.3	9.8	8.0	5.5	*	8.8
52 " " 104	15.1	42.7	44.4	43.4	29.9	10.1	40.1
104 and over	14.0	34.9	35.1	34.3	27.5	8.5	36.0
Total unemployment	128.1	257.2	235.7	208.1	144.4	74.9	219.4
(weeks)							
Average duration of unemployment (c)	34.7	43.3	46.5	49.4	53.0	37.9	47.9

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) Period from the time the person began looking for work or was laid off to the end of the survey week. Periods of unemployment are recorded in complete weeks and this results in a slight understatement of duration of unemployment. (c) Average duration is the duration obtained by dividing the aggregate number of weeks a group has been unemployed by the number of persons in that group.

TECHNICAL NOTE

Estimation Procedure

1. The labour force estimates are derived from the monthly population survey by use of a complex ratio estimation procedure. This procedure ensures that the survey estimates conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population by age and sex, rather than to the age and sex distribution within the sample itself.

Reliability of the Estimates

2. Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. The sampling error is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, the estimates and the movements derived from them are subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. The standard error can also be expressed as a percentage of the estimate, and this is known as the relative standard error.

3. Space does not allow for the separate indication of the standard errors of all estimates in this publication. Standard errors of estimates derived from the survey and of monthly, quarterly and annual movements since February 1978 (except those movements spanning September/October 1982) can be determined by using the table below. Details of standard errors for estimates and of annual movements prior to February

1978 are contained in The Labour Force, Australia, 1978 (6204.0). The standard errors of quarterly movements for periods prior to February 1978 were published in the Technical Note in the November 1977 issue of this publication. Details of the standard errors of monthly, quarterly and annual movements spanning September/October 1982 were published in the November 1983 issue of this publication.

4. Standard errors of estimates can be determined from columns 1, 2 and 3 in the table below, as follows:

If the estimate obtained from the sample is 100,000 (see column 1) the standard error is 3,900, i.e. 3.9 per cent of the estimate, and there are about two chances in three that the true figure is within the range 96,100 to 103,900 and about nineteen chances in twenty that this figure is between 92,200 and 107,800. As the standard errors in the table show, the smaller the estimate, the higher is the per cent (relative) standard error.

5. The movement in the level of an estimate is also subject to sampling variability. The standard error of the movement depends on the levels of the estimates from which the movement is obtained rather than on the size of the movement. Standard errors of monthly movements are given in column 4 of the table below. The standard error of the monthly movement is read against the larger of the two estimates appearing in column 1 from which the movement is derived. An example of the use of column 4 is as follows:

If the estimates for two successive months are 480,000 and 500,000 (i.e. an increase of 20,000), this column shows that the standard error of the monthly movement will be 5,100 (the figure shown in the column against 500,000 in column 1). That is, there are about two chances in three that the monthly movement lies between 14,900 and 25,100 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it lies between 9,800 and 30,200.